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1. From a source which R/HU considers trustworthy the following information on a secret organization of Yugoslav exiles has been obtained. The validity of the report cannot be judged here, but the statement of a hidden agreement between ideologically contrasted groups makes the report sound somewhat imaginary; there are, however at least three points which can be checked in Paris or Vienna: the two arrests and the issuance of an American visa; if it can be shown that the report is accurate in these details, then more credence can be put in the whole.

2. The TAJNA INTERNACIONALNA STRAZARSKA ORGANIZACIJA (Secret International Guard Organization), usually abbreviated to T.I.S.O., is the executive body directing the secret operations of a "Detach" group, supposedly conducted on a world-wide scale. At present the acting head of TISO is Colonel Ivan DEVICHIC. There seems to be some confusion in the chain of command, because his orders come to him directly from the head of the organization in Italy. The group in Italy is called the TAJNA TE/RENSKA ORGANIZACIJA I SLUZBA (Secret Field Organization and Service) abbreviated TTOS, and is headed by VILKO PECNIKAR, considered as the unofficial successor of PAVELICH.

3. There is a secret secretary of the TISO in every country; he is known only to special agents carrying out specific missions.

4. In France the secretary is Dr. Andrija ARTUKOVICH and the headquarters were until recently in the Hotel Astor in Paris; ARTUKOVICH is supposedly wanted by the Allied authorities. Other members of the Paris group are Ferdinand OTTERFELZ, Nikolai MOOR and Branko PESHEL.

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The group has recently been discovered at the Astor by the Allied authorities, and consequently the identified members are planning to leave so as to be able to continue their work in locations where they are not known; OTTERPELZ and his wife are leaving for Brazil, and MOGAN for Mexico via the United States.

5. OTTERPELZ was a close friend of KOZAK, the former Ustashi Finance Minister, and is supposed to have, deposited in his own name in a Swiss bank, KOZAK's funds, which were removed to Switzerland during the war and which have been used up until now to finance the operations of the Paris branch. There they have dealt widely in the black market in currency; but their principal function seems to be to help Ustashi members who have become compromised to conceal their identity and escape under false names. This, and the illicit transport of armaments and secret communications, must have brought about the strange working agreement stated to exist between the Ustashi and OZNA/TITO's secret police.

6. Zulfika PASHICH, the former head of OZNA in Italy, at present chief in Austria, has been in contact with the Paris Ustashi Group through the medium of VUADIN MIJOVICH, who is reported as having been arrested, and later released, by the American authorities in Austria. PASHICH has his headquarters in the village of Munden, near Salzburg, from where he controls contacts among OZNA agents in Italy, Austria, Czechoslovakia, and Yugoslavia, most of which contacts he himself originally set up. With him as assistants he has Lt. Colonel TUSCHE, Capt. VOJNOVICH, Lt. ERKICH, and Beguljev BARATEK. BARATEK is now reported as having recently been arrested by the Americans.

7. For purposes of evaluating this report, as well as possible future information from the same source, the [] office would greatly appreciate any opinions the [] office may have of the credibility of the report, based on the statements that the group has been located at the Hotel Astor, that Mikela MOGAN has evidently been granted a transit visa for the United States, and that ARTHUROVICH is wanted by the American authorities. From [] it would like confirmation or refutation of the statement that OTTERPELZ has an account, in his own name, which might possibly contain official funds of the extinct puppet State. If Vienna could ascertain the correctness of the statements about the arrest of MIJOVICH and the headquarters at Munden, the [] office would be pleased to have the information.

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18 February 1947

TO: Commanding Officer - Austria

FROM: Security Central Division

PROM: []
O'DNA (now UDO) in Austria

SUBJECT: Ustashi Organization

1. Reference is made to KPL-106 (a copy of which was sent to Vienna), dated 8 January 1947, subject as above, but specifically to Zulfikar FAKIC (Par. 6), reported as present Chief of GOMA in Austria.

2. Since we have not, as yet, heard about him from Austria and in the event he turns up in that area, we are sending the following information, which has largely come from Italy, on an individual who may possibly be identical with Zulfikar FAKIC:

a. Gen Zulfikar FAKIC, reportedly an O'DNA agent, was arrested in 1941 by Croatian Police for his Communist activities and sentenced; after his release, he joined TITO'S Partisans and became Lt. Col. and Political Commissar of a division. About February or March 1946, it was reported that he went to Trieste and then to Rome as an O'DNA mission, posing as an emigre. His mission purportedly was to gain Communist supporters among Muslim refugees. Although he claimed to be opposed to the present (Tito) Administration, even though admittedly a Communist, he was reported to have been one of the few guests participating at a dinner given for TITO during his trip to TRIESTE. *Dec 1945
Jan 1946*

b. Zulfikar FAKIC was also reported under the following names:

GULPIKAPASIC, Mil Lt. Col.	ZULFIKAPASIC
ALIPASIC, Zulfikar	ZULFIKAPASIC
GULIKAPASIC, Mil	ZULFIKAPASIC
KULYIKAPASIC, Mil, Alija, Ande	ZULFIKAPASIC, Mil
FAKIC, Zulfikar Mil	ZULU-KUPIR-FAKIC
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51 January 1947

COUNTRY: Portugal/France/Italy/Austria/Red Germany

SUBJECT: International Utzschner Organisation

DATE OF INFO: 2 January 1947

STANAVATION: P-4

Comment: The following report on an alleged secret Utzschner organization with CIA contacts has been received from a reliable source who regards the substance of this information as trustworthy. Though its validity cannot as yet be confirmed, it is forwarded for your information.

1. The TANIA INTERNATIONAL SPYMASTER ORGANIZATION (T.I.S.O.), reports the secret operations of a Utzschner group, apparently conducted on a worldwide scale. Some confusion in the chain of command is indicated by the fact that Colonel Ivan DIMITROFF is reported to be the acting head of TISO, receive his orders from the head of the subsidiary ORGANIZAZIJA I. NACIONA I. NARODNA (O.N.O.N.), Secret Field Operations and Services, and is headed by VILKO PAVELIC, said to be regarded as the unofficial successor of PAVELIC.

2. There is a secret secretary or TISO in every country, who is known only to special agents carrying out specific missions.

3. In France the secretary is Dr. Andre ARTOVITCH, Minister of Interior during the PAVELIC regime, who is reportedly wanted by the allied authorities. Until recently the headquarters for Paris were in ORTIEZ, Milosko MOJAN and Branko PERULIĆ, secretary to MOJAN. The group consequently the identified members are planning to leave in order to continue their work in locations where they are not known. ORTIEZ and his wife are leaving for Brazil, and MOJAN for Mexico via the United States.

4. ORTIEZ was a close friend of Dr. Vladislav KOSAK, former name in a bank in Switzerland, KOSAK's funds which were removed to Switzerland during the war and have been used until now to finance the operations of the Paris branch. This group has dealt widely in currency in the black market; but its principal function seems to be to help empre-

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mixed Ustasha members escape under false names. It is believed that this activity, the illicit transport of arms, and the like, brought about the strange working agreement alleged to exist between the Ustasha and OSA, the Yugoslav State Intelligence Service.

B. Zdravko PARHIC, frequently reported as an OSA agent in Italy and now said to be OSA chief in Austria, has been in contact with the Paris Ustasha Group through a certain Vojislav KONJIC, stated to have been arrested by the American authorities in Austria and later released. From his headquarters in a village near Salzburg, PARHIC is said to control contacts among OSA agents in Italy, Austria, Czechoslovakia, and Yugoslavia.

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7 March 1947

TO: [REDACTED] SOS

FROM: [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: Zalilka PASHICH

REF: KPL-105

1. We call your attention to Paragraph 6 of reference; a copy of which was sent to you. It is here stated that Zalilka PASHICH, former head of OZNA in Italy, is now chief in Austria.

2. This seems to be undoubtedly our old friend of the many garbled spellings to his name. We hesitate, however, to give too much credence to this report since, in the first place, we had never had the impression from the voluminous reports on him that his position in Italy was such an exalted one, and, in the second place, reports have been coming in so recently, indicating his continued presence in Italy.

3. We shall be interested in receiving your comments on this matter. In the meantime, his card is being retained at this desk until the matter is clarified.

cc: [REDACTED]
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